



Biden turning to Trump-era rule to expel Venezuelan migrants



Venezuelan migrants wait for a bus to take them north, at the Northern Bus Station in Mexico City, Oct. 13, 2022.

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Two years ago, candidate Joe Biden loudly denounced President Donald Trump for immigration policies that inflicted “cruelty and exclusion at every turn,” including toward those fleeing the “brutal” government of socialist Nicolas Maduro in Venezuela. Now, with increasing numbers of Venezuelans arriving at the U.S.-Mexico

border as the Nov. 8 election nears, Biden has turned to an unlikely source for a solution: his predecessor's playbook. Biden last week invoked a Trump-era rule known as Title 42 -- which Biden's own Justice Department is fighting in court — to deny Venezuelans fleeing their crisis-torn country the chance to request asylum at the border.

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The rule, first invoked by Trump in 2020, uses emergency public health authority to allow the United States to keep migrants from seeking asylum at the border, based on the need to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Under the new Biden administration policy, Venezuelans who walk or swim across America's southern border will be expelled and any Venezuelan who illegally enters Mexico or Panama will be ineligible to come to the United States. But as many as 24,000 Venezuelans will be accepted at U.S. airports, similar to how Ukrainians have been admitted since Russia's invasion in February.



President Joe Biden stands on stage before speaking about lowering costs for American families at the East Portland Community Center in Portland, Ore., Saturday, Oct. 15, 2022.

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Mexico has insisted that the U.S. admit one Venezuelan on humanitarian parole for each Venezuelan it expels to Mexico, according to a Mexican official who was not authorized

to discuss the matter publicly and spoke condition of anonymity. So if the Biden administration paroles 24,000 Venezuelans to the U.S., Mexico would take no more than 24,000 Venezue-

lans expelled from the U.S. The Biden policy marks an abrupt turn for the White House, which just weeks ago was lambasting Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis and Texas Gov. Greg Abbott, both Republicans, for putting Venezuelan migrants "fleeing political persecution" on buses and planes to Democratic strongholds.

"These were children, they were moms, they were fleeing communism," White House press secretary Karine Jean-Pierre said at the time. Biden's new policy has drawn swift criticism from immigrant advocates, many of them quick to point out the Trump parallels. "Rather than restore the right to asylum decimated by the Trump administration ... the Biden administration has dangerously embraced the failures of the past and expanded upon them by explicitly enabling expulsions of Venezuelan migrants," said Jennifer Nagda, policy director of the Young Center for Immigrant Children's Rights.

The administration says the policy is aimed at ensuring a "lawful and orderly" way for Venezuelans to enter the U.S.

Why the turnaround?

For more than a year after taking office in January 2021, Biden deferred to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which used its authority to keep in place the Trump-era declaration that a public health risk existed that warranted expedited expulsion of asylum-seekers.

Members of Biden's own party and activist groups had expressed skepticism about the public health underpinnings for allowing Title 42 to remain in effect, especially when COVID-19 was spreading more widely within the U.S. than elsewhere. After months of internal deliberations and preparations, the CDC on April 1 said it would end the public health order and return to normal border processing of migrants, giving them a chance to request asylum in the U.S. Homeland Security officials braced for a resulting in-

crease in border crossings. But officials inside and outside the White House were conflicted over ending the authority, believing it effectively kept down the number of people crossing the border illegally, according to senior administration officials.

A court order in May that kept Title 42 in place due to a challenge from Republican state officials was greeted with quiet relief by some in the administration, according to officials who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity to discuss internal discussions.

The recent increase in migration from Venezuela, sparked by political, social and economic instability in the country, dashed officials' hopes that they were finally seeing a lull in the chaos that had defined the border region for the past year.

By August, Venezuelans were the second-largest nationality arriving at the U.S. border after Mexicans. Given that U.S. tensions with Venezuela meant migrants from the country could not be sent back easily, the situation became increasingly difficult to manage. So an administration that had rejected many Trump-era policies aimed at keeping out migrants, that had worked to make the asylum process easier and that had increased the number of refugees allowed into the U.S. now turned to Title 42.

It brokered a deal to send the Venezuelans to Mexico, which already had agreed to accept migrants expelled under Title 42 if they are from Guatemala, Honduras or El Salvador.

All the while, Justice Department lawyers continue to appeal a court decision that has kept Title 42 in place. They are opposing Republican attorneys general from more than 20 states who have argued that Title 42 is "the only safety valve preventing this Administration's already disastrous border control policies from descending into an unmitigated catastrophe." □

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GOP hopefuls turn to Pence to broaden appeal before election

By JILL COLVIN
Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — In Donald Trump's assessment, Mike Pence "committed political suicide" on Jan. 6, 2021.

By refusing to go along with the former president's unconstitutional push to overturn the results of the 2020 election, Pence became a leading target of Trump's wrath and a pariah in many Republican circles.

But the final weeks of the intensely competitive 2022 election suggest the former vice president's fortunes have shifted as he lays the groundwork for his own potential campaign for the White House in 2024.

The man who was booed last year at a conservative conference is now an in-demand surrogate for Republican candidates, including some who spent their primaries obsessively courting Trump's endorsement, in part by parroting Trump's election lies.

Pence has been traveling the country, holding events and raising millions for candidates and Republican groups, including signing fundraising solicitations for party committees.

For some campaigns in tight races, Pence is seen as something of a neutralizing agent who can help broaden their appeal beyond Trump's core base of support. That includes Arizona, with a key Senate



Former Vice President Mike Pence gestures as he addresses the Convocation at Liberty University, Sep. 14, 2022, in Lynchburg, Va.

Associated Press

race on Nov. 8 and what is expected to be a hotly contested stop in the 2024 presidential campaign.

Last week, Pence endorsed Senate nominee Blake Masters, who has struggled to pivot from the primary to win over moderates in a state where one-third of voters are registered independents. "He takes a little bit of the edge off Masters with a lot of voters," veteran GOP strategist Scott Reed said. "You know Masters is new to this, first time candidate, said some silly things he probably regrets during the campaign."

Yet the endorsements can seem jarring given that

Pence has spent much of the past year pushing back on Trump's election lies, which spurred the violent mob that descended on the Capitol on Jan. 6, 2021, while Pence was trying to preside over the formal congressional certification of Joe Biden's presidential victory. Pence and members of his family had to be rushed to safety and held for hours in an underground loading dock as the marauders roamed the hallways, some chanting, "Hang Mike Pence!" and erected a makeshift gallows outside.

Masters, during the primary, baselessly denied the 2020

results, recording a video in which he said he thought Trump had won. Masters claimed on his website that, "if we had had a free and fair election, President Trump would be sitting in the Oval Office today."

Trump said when he endorsed Masters in June: "Blake knows that the 'Crime of the Century' took place, he will expose it and also, never let it happen again."

Pence made no mention of that in Phoenix on Tuesday. "What I came here to Arizona to say is not only is Blake Masters the right choice for the United States Senate, the people of Arizona de-

serve to know Blake Masters may be the difference between a Democrat majority in the Senate and a Republican majority in the Senate," Pence said.

Pence, along with Masters and Gov. Doug Ducey, took just three questions, two of them from conservative websites. When a television reporter noted that Masters has questioned the 2020 election, a spokesman for Masters cut him off before he could finish his question.

Masters is not the only election denier Pence has endorsed or assisted.

Two days after the Masters event, Pence was in Georgia headlining a fundraiser for Burt Jones, the nominee for lieutenant governor. Jones not only embraced Trump's claims of widespread election fraud and called for a statewide investigation into the 2020 race, but also signed on to be one of his state's fake alternate electors — a scheme that is now under criminal investigation.

Last month, Pence campaigned in New Hampshire for Senate nominee Don Bolduc, a retired Army general who also spent his primary campaign telling voters the 2020 race was stolen from Trump.

Marc Short, a longtime Pence adviser, declined to set a red line for candidates Pence would and would not endorse. □

Marine Corps halts surf use of combat vehicle after mishap

CAMP PENDLETON, Calif.

(AP) — The Marine Corps has halted some operations of its new amphibious combat vehicles after one of the armored vehicles rolled over in surf during training off California's Camp Pendleton.

The eight-wheeled vehicle flipped over at about 7:45 p.m. Thursday at the Marines Assault Amphibian School at the base north of San Diego, authorities said. The three crew members weren't injured, a Marine Corps statement said Fri-

day.

The vehicle had a "mechanical malfunction," according to the Marine Corps, which banned the vehicles from going into or out of surf zones, except for testing, while more analysis is performed.

The vehicles can still be used on land, in protected waters and in the open ocean.

It was the second time this year that restrictions have been placed on the use of amphibious combat vehicles. Open water opera-

tions were halted after one of the vehicles rolled onto its side and another was disabled in unusually high surf on July 19 during another training exercise. The pause was lifted last month. The new vehicles, which are being tested and used in California, are designed to transport troops and their equipment from Navy ships to land. They are being rolled out to replace the Marine's aging amphibious assault vehicle, which is lighter, slower and runs on tracks instead of wheels.



Amphibious Assault Vehicles storm Red Beach during exercises at Camp Pendleton, Calif., June 2, 2010.

Associated Press

Eight Marines and one sailor died on July 30, 2020 when an amphibious assault vehicle sank in 385 feet (117 meters) of water off San Clemente Island in Southern California.

A Marine Corps investigation found that inadequate training, shabby maintenance and poor judgment by leaders led to the sinking. □

Queen lauds Minnesota church's century of Norwegian worship

By GIOVANNA DELL'ORTO
Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Before attending the packed Sunday morning service, Queen Sonja of Norway praised Mindekirken congregation for having maintained worship in Norwegian for all 100 years that the church has existed in Minneapolis.

"It's extraordinary to realize that, one hundred years after, Mindekirken is still fulfilling that purpose" of building community and preserving culture and language, she said to the nearly 500 people in attendance. They had lined up for more than an hour in this modest neighborhood in brisk fall weather in the 40s — single digits in Celsius, just as in Oslo — to participate in the service.

Queen Sonja received a special greeting from Eline Gro Knatterud, 4, who presented the queen with a bouquet of red roses nearly as big as herself. Queen Sonja got down to eye level with the awestruck girl and told her, in English, that she had an identical red traditional bunad dress at home, before walking into the large stone church.

The congregation was founded in 1922, at the tail end of a decades-long migration of hundreds of thousands of Norwegians



Eline Gro Knatterud, 4, meets the presiding bishop of the Church of Norway, Olav Fykse Tveit, as they both wait for Queen Sonja of Norway to arrive at Den Norske Lutherske Mindekirke, the Norwegian Lutheran Memorial Church in Minneapolis, Sunday Oct. 16, 2022.

to Minnesota that made the Twin Cities the "unofficial capital" of the Norwegian diaspora, said Amy Boxrud, the director of the Norwegian-American Historical Association.

Lutheran churches were central to these immigrants' lives, though some stayed with the Church of Norway and others established different Lutheran synods.

Den Norske Lutherske Mindeskirke — the Norwegian Lutheran Memorial Church — committed to keep celebrating services in Norwe-

gian even as many other European churches were moving to English, because attacks on foreign-language speakers spread across the United States in the World War I era.

"The group said, 'We'll talk American English every day, but we need our hearts' language when we praise God,'" said the Rev. Gunnar Kristiansen, the current pastor to a flock of about 200 families.

Within a few years, Mindeskirken was the only one of five dozen churches in Minnesota still worshipping in

Norwegian, he added.

That made all the difference to Kirsti Grodahl, who was 11 when she emigrated to Minneapolis in 1962 from the fjord-side village of Frei in Norway with her parents and siblings. She started going to church at Mindekirken a week later, sometimes on foot.

"It was just so comfortable," she said. She made her first friend there, who had arrived two years earlier, and she raised her two children to speak Norwegian, too. Grodahl still regularly attends Sunday services at

Mindekirken, and particularly enjoys the coffee hour that follows the two services, one in English and one in Norwegian.

"Dad baked a lot of bløtkake for this church," she recalled, referring to the traditional soft cake that her father had perfected as a baker in Norway. "It's a place you always feel it's your home."

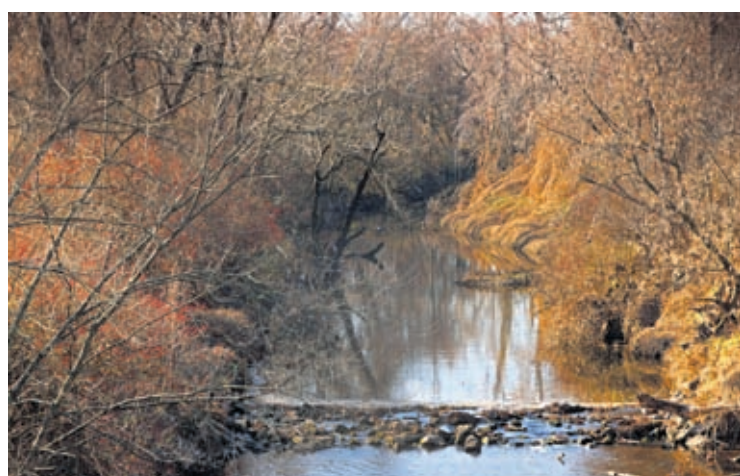
Standing in line Sunday morning with her two daughters and dozens of other congregants before service started, Karen Liv Mjølhus Cardwell said her father started worshipping here in 1929, when he emigrated to Minnesota.

"It's like coming home to family," Mjølhus Cardwell said.

And to have that continuity of culture and worship celebrated today by Queen Sonja and the presiding bishop of the Church of Norway, the Most Rev. Olav Fykse Tveit, brought tears to the eyes of Mindekirken council president Jeanette Henriksen, whose parents migrated in the late 1960s.

"It's very moving that we still hold service in Norwegian," she said. "It's a testament to the determination and sheer stubbornness of those Norwegians, and the love and connection they wanted to uphold." □

Radioactive waste found at Missouri elementary school



Water flows in Coldwater Creek on Thursday, Dec. 9, 2021, behind a row of homes at Belcroft Drive and Old Halls Ferry Road in Missouri's St. Louis County.

Associated Press

FLORISSANT, Mo. (AP) — There is significant radioactive contamination at an elementary school in suburban St. Louis where nuclear

weapons were produced during World War II, according to a new report by environmental investigation consultants.

The report by Boston Chemical Data Corp. confirmed fears about contamination at Jana Elementary School in the Hazelwood School District in Florissant raised by a previous Army Corps of Engineers study.

The new report is based on samples taken in August from the school, according to the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. Boston Chemical did not say who or what requested and funded the report.

"I was heartbroken," said Ashley Bernaugh, president of the Jana parent-teacher association who has a son at the school. "It sounds so cliché, but it takes your breath from you."

The school sits in the flood

plain of Coldwater Creek, which was contaminated by nuclear waste from weapons production during World War II. The waste was dumped at sites near the St. Louis Lambert International Airport, next to the creek that flows to the Missouri River. The Corps has been cleaning up the creek for more than 20 years. The Corps' report also found contamination in the area but at much lower levels, and it didn't take any samples within 300 feet of the school. The most recent report included samples taken from Jana's library, kitchen, classrooms, fields and playgrounds.

Levels of the radioactive isotope lead-210, polo-

nium, radium and other toxins were "far in excess" of what Boston Chemical had expected. Dust samples taken inside the school were found to be contaminated.

Inhaling or ingesting these radioactive materials can cause significant injury, the report said.

"A significant remedial program will be required to bring conditions at the school in line with expectations," the report said.

The new report is expected to be a major topic at Tuesday's Hazelwood school board meeting. The district said in a statement that it will consult with its attorneys and experts to determine the next steps. □

U.S., Canada send armored vehicles to bolster Haiti's police

By DÁNICA COTO

Associated Press

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP)

— The U.S. and Canada sent armored vehicles and other supplies to Haiti on Saturday to help police fight a powerful gang amid a pending request from the Haitian government for the immediate deployment of foreign troops.

A U.S. State Department statement said the equipment was bought by Haiti's government, but it did not provide further details on the supplies flown on military aircraft to the capital of Port-au-Prince.

A spokesman for the U.S. military's Southern Command said he could not provide further details on the supplies sent, though he added it was a joint operation involving the U.S. Air Force and Royal Canadian Air Force. "This equipment will assist (Haiti's National Police) in their fight against criminal actors who are fomenting violence and disrupting the flow of critically-needed humanitarian assistance, hindering efforts to halt the spread of cholera," the State Department said. The Pan American Health Organization said there are more than 560 suspected cases of cholera, some



A woman cries near the body of another woman shot dead by the police during a protest demanding the resignation of Prime Minister Ariel Henry in the Delmas area of Port-au-Prince, Haiti, Monday, Oct. 10, 2022.

300 hospitalizations and at least 35 deaths, with experts warning the numbers are likely much higher than what it's being reported.

The equipment arrived more than a month after one of Haiti's most powerful gangs surrounded a fuel terminal and demanded the resignation of Prime Minister Ariel Henry. Demonstrators also have blocked roads in major cities to protest a sharp rise in

fuel prices after Henry announced in early September that his administration could no longer afford to subsidize fuel.

Since then, gas stations have closed, hospitals have cut back on services and banks and grocery stores open on a limited basis as fuel, water and other supplies dwindle across Haiti. The owners of the fuel terminal announced Saturday that armed men had

attacked their installations for a second time and fled with more than 28,000 gallons of petroleum products after overpowering surveillance and emergency personnel at the facility.

It was the second time this week that armed men broke into the terminal, which stores more than 10 million gallons of gasoline and diesel and more than 800,000 gallons of kerosene. □

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Swedish party official suspended after Anne Frank posting

STOCKHOLM (AP) — A Sweden Democrats official was suspended by the far-right party for making degrading comments about Jewish teenage diarist Anne Frank.

In an Instagram posting that has now been deleted, Rebecka Fallenkvist called Anne "immoral" among other things, according to Swedish media. Anne, who wrote a diary while in hiding in Amsterdam before she was captured, died at age 15 in Nazi Germany's Bergen-Belsen concentration camp in February 1945.

The posting by Fallenkvist, a 26-year-old head of television programming for the Sweden Democrats, prompted strong reactions from Jewish groups and Israeli Ambassador Ziv Nevo



A photo of Anne Frank is displayed at the opening of the exhibition: "Anne Frank, a History for Today", at the Westerbork Remembrance Centre in Hooghalen, northeast Netherlands, Friday, June 12, 2009.

Associated Press

Kulman, who in a tweet said: "I strongly condemn this despicable insult, disrespectful of the memory of Anne Frank." His posting included what appeared to be a screenshot of Fallenkvist's Instagram post.

The Sweden Democrats' media director, Oskar Cavalli-Bjorkman, told the Swedish news agency TT late Saturday that the party would take Fallenkvist's "insensitive and inappropriate" comments seriously

and launch an internal investigation on the matter. While it remained unclear what kind of point Fallenkvist wanted to make with her comments on Anne's diary, she sent later a text message to Swedish newspaper Dagens Nyheter saying she had been misinterpreted.

"The book is a moving depiction of human good and evil," Fallenkvist said in her message to the newspaper. "The good Anne, who in the first chapters is like any other young girl living her life in peace and finding an interest in boys (which I highlighted), is contrasted with the evil of Nazism. My story was aimed at the good and human in Anne while not playing down the evil to which she was subjected." □

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Mozambique jihadi violence spreads despite military effort

By TOM GOULD

Associated Press

NANJUA, Mozambique

(AP) — Fleeing beheadings, shootings, rapes and kidnappings, nearly 1 million people are displaced by the Islamic extremist insurgency in northern Mozambique.

The 5-year wave of jihadi violence in Cabo Delgado province has killed more than 4,000 people and scuppered international investments worth billions of dollars.

In a sprawl of dilapidated tents and thatched huts around Nanjua, a small town in the southern part of Cabo Delgado province, several hundred families are seeking safety from the violence. They say their conditions are bleak and food assistance is meager but they're afraid to return home because of continuing violence by the rebels who are now going by the name Islamic State Mozambique Province.

More than 1,000 miles south, however, government officials in the capital Maputo are saying the insurgency is under control and are encouraging the displaced to return to their homes and energy companies to resume their projects.

"The terrorists are on the run permanently," Mozambican President Filipe Nyusi assured investors at the Mozambique Energy and



This undated photo provided on Thursday, Oct. 13, 2022 by Doctors Without Borders (MSF) shows people displaced by the conflict in Cabo Delgado Province Mozambique, next to a truck on the outskirts of Mueda, Mozambique, waiting to be transported to reach Palma, a coastal town that was attacked earlier this year and where some people have already gradually returned.

Associated Press

Gas Summit in Maputo in September. He urged the gathering of international energy executives to resume work on their stalled liquefied natural gas projects.

Mozambique's army and police forces, backed up by troops from Rwanda and support from a regional force from the Southern African Development Community, have succeeded in containing the extremist rebellion, officials say.

"These places have now normalized and civilians are coming back," Rwandan

Brig. Gen. Ronald Rwivanga, told the Rwandan newspaper The New Times this month, saying normal life is returning to the Palma district.

Energy companies say they want to see displaced people return to the area. The \$60 billion liquefied natural gas projects led by the France-based TotalEnergies and ExxonMobil were suspended last year after insurgents briefly captured the adjacent town of Palma in March.

Speaking at the summit in Maputo, Stéphane Le

Galles, the head of TotalEnergies' Mozambique gas project, said "the direction is very good" but the company still wants to see "a sustainable economic situation, not just in Palma but ... all over Cabo Delgado." Despite the heavy presence of Mozambican and Rwandan soldiers, the extremists' attacks continue. Earlier this month the rebels spread their violence for the first time to neighboring Nampula province, where a Catholic mission was among the targets and an elderly Italian nun was

among those killed.

The United Nations High Commission for Refugees said it "considers security conditions to be too volatile in Cabo Delgado to facilitate or promote returns to the province," in a statement released earlier this month.

"People who have lost everything are returning to areas where services and humanitarian assistance are largely unavailable," said the UNHCR.

Those who return are met with a mixed situation. Economic life is beginning to return but basic infrastructure and public services are still lacking. Few schools are open and health services are sparse.

In the provincial capital, Pemba, where more than 100,000 displaced people have sought refuge, an elderly woman sat outside a hut where her family of 15 took up residence two years ago after fleeing an insurgent attack. They subsist on a meager diet of corn flour and plain rice. Unable to find work, they have no money for clothes or other essentials, she said. "Definitely, we want to go back. This is not a home," said the grandmother, who spoke on condition of anonymity for her safety.

With their villages further north now destroyed, she says resuming normal life will be even more difficult. □



Members of the Tigrayan community protest against the conflict between Ethiopia and Tigray rebels in Ethiopia's Tigray region, outside the the United Arab Emirates embassy in Pretoria, South Africa, Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2022.

Associated Press

ADDIS ABABA, Ethiopia (AP)

— Diplomats are calling on Ethiopia's federal authorities and their rivals in the northern region of Tigray

to agree to a cease-fire as heavy fighting raises growing humanitarian fears.

African Union Commission Chairman Moussa Faki Ma-

Calls grow for Ethiopia peace effort as fighting intensifies

hamat expressed "grave concern" in a statement Sunday over the fighting and called for an "immediate, unconditional cease-fire and the resumption of humanitarian services."

AU-led peace talks were due to take place in South Africa earlier this month, but were postponed because of logistical and technical issues. The warring parties had said they were ready to participate in the process, even though fighting persists in Tigray.

"The Chairperson urges the Parties to recommit to dia-

logue as per their agreement to direct talks to be convened in South Africa by a high-level team led by the AU High Representative for the Horn of Africa, and supported by the international community," Mahamat said in a statement.

The AU statement followed one issued late Saturday by a U.N. spokesman who said Secretary-General Antonio Guterres was "gravely concerned about the escalation of the fighting" and called for an immediate cessation of hostilities.

Fighting resumed between

the Tigray forces and the federal troops in August, bringing an end to a cease-fire in place since March that had allowed much-needed aid to enter the region. Fighting has drawn in forces from Eritrea, on the side of Ethiopia's federal military.

USAID Administrator Samantha Power called on Eritrean forces to withdraw from Tigray and urged the parties to observe a cease-fire, warning in a tweet that up to a 1 million people are "teetering on the edge of famine" in the region. □



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Minister of Finance asked World Bank for help with Expenditure Review

"The debate on government expenses needs to be based on facts and not political opinion"

ORANJESTAD – During the week that minister of Finance, Xiomara Maduro attended the Annual Meetings of International Monetary Fund (IMF) in Washington DC, the minister met also with executives from the World Bank. Minister Maduro asked the World Bank for help with carrying out an Expenditure Review in order to review the government expenses for Aruba and to compare these with countries like Aruba.

Such an investigation will give a good view of where Aruba is standing with regards to government expenses.

The information produced by this investigation and comparison will help every person and institution to form a balanced opinion



on the level of government expenses in Aruba.

IMF already had a look

The biggest and more talked about expenses for the government of Aruba are personnel and service and products. Regarding these costs, the government allowed IMF to have a look and formulate an opinion if the expenses of Aruba are too high or they are normal. IMF's analysis shows that, regarding person-

nel expenses, Aruba is at 11 percent of GDP which is not an exorbitant level for our region. Now the request is for the World Bank to carry out a deeper investigation in order to provide a wider insight on the level of government expenses for Aruba.

Debate based on facts

According to a press release from the government, this type of studies and analyses on govern-



ment expenses are necessary, seeing as more and more people and institutions use the slogan "the government needs to cut or reduce expenses". According to the government, many people and institutions express their political opinion and do not present a study or analysis on the government expenses showing if the level of expenses of the Government of Aruba is high or low. It is time for Aruba to also carry

a debate on the subject of government expenses based on fact. Must avoid that each time the discussion is pushed on the topic of government expenses based on political opinion without information. Such an Expenditure Review as was requested from IMF will surely create an objective account on the level of government expenses and help take the debate and decision making based on evidence. □

Minister of Culture working on agenda to inform and create awareness about slavery in Aruba

ORANJESTAD – Aruba also has a history of slavery. A few months ago, minister of Culture, Xiomara Maduro presented a special program to reflect on the topic of slavery in Aruba seen from the perspective of freedom. The program was well-received in Aruba as well as in sister islands Curaçao and Bonaire.

The topic of slavery is current within the Kingdom of the Netherlands, as we are approaching 160 years since the abolition of slavery in the kingdom. For this occasion, minister Maduro met with Mr. Luc Alofs in order to work on the necessary awareness for Aruba on the topic of slavery.

Knowledge for improvement

In order to avoid repeating the mistakes of the past, it is important to know our history. As a country and as a kingdom, we must deal with what was wrong and recognize the good parts that might result from the shared history of the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

In Aruba, a lot of people do not know the history of slavery here, and it is time for us to also review this difficult part of our kingdom. It is about reaching a moment of acceptance, apology and reparations for the damage caused. For this last aspect, it could be the development of a network of knowledge between the University of Aruba, Archive and Museum, a place to commemorate what happened like an artwork and investigation of the social and cultural inheritance that slavery carries with it. It's important to review our past with the intention of improving as people, country and kingdom.

Agenda to inform and create awareness

Minister Maduro together with Mr. Luc Alofs is working on an agenda in order to provide more information on the subject of slavery in Aruba. For this, more people and organizations will be approached within the community in order to count with the necessary participation and knowledge regarding this topic in Aruba. □





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The 4th grade of La Salle College visits the Prime Minister in connection with classes about the constitution



Oranjestad - Recently, the Prime Minister of Aruba, Evelyn Wever-Croes, and the Minister of Education, Endy Croes, welcomed pupils of the 9th grade of La Salle College.

about Aruba's government structure. Therefore, they had a field trip to the Parliament of Aruba, followed by a visit to the Government of Aruba.

The pupils are learning The Prime Minister explained the daily duties



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of a Minister and their responsibilities, the task of the Council of Ministers, and the highest-ranking entity responsible for decision-making in the Government.

The pupils had many questions but particularly about education and sports. The Prime Minister explained to the pupils that the Government is working on creating equal opportunities. However, Aruba remains a small island but works with

Curacao and Bonaire to find more opportunities for our youth.

The Prime Minister thanked La Salle College for their interest and believes it is essential to instill democratic values in our children. Based on the questions asked, the students show they are well-informed, motivated, and passionate about these subjects, which brings hope for the future. □





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Consultation Conference Corporate Governance

Oranjestad – The Minister of Transport, Integrity, Nature and Senior Affairs, Ursell Arnds, has called on public and semi-public sector entities to register for a unique consultation conference held at the University of Aruba on coming November 3 and 4.

Both days are devoted to the new legislation in the field of corporate governance. During a press conference, the Minister indicated that good corporate governance is an essential prerequisite for the optimal functioning of these entities. The draft by legal adviser Carlos Guiamo, LL.M., includes an explanation of the National Ordinance.

Cabinet Wever-Croes II's goal is to strengthen the corporate governance practice in the public and

semi-public sectors within the shortest time possible as per internationally recognized best practices. The Minister and the chairman of the Corporate Governance Committee, Mr. Jossy Laclé, appealed to the stakeholders to participate in the upcoming consultation conference.

Good corporate governance requires effort from the community. That is why the government considers the support and input from the stakeholders of great value. That is also one of the reasons the government consults stakeholders about the National Ordinance in the draft and the Corporate Governance Code. Moreover, a higher degree of participation is in line with the vision of the Ministry of Integrity.

In addition to the stakeholders involved, students

are also allowed to participate in this unique consultation conference.

The introductory process takes explicit account of Aruba's unique circumstances, such as limitations in resources and capacity at the entities and the small scale of society. The goal is to take joint steps toward excellent corporate governance. Based on this vision, the government established the Corporate Governance Committee in May 2020. Its task is to advise and support the government in implementing a new legal framework for corporate governance. In doing so, it relies on the framework already developed by the Central Bank of Aruba. The draft National Ordinance and the Corporate Governance Code are its latest products. Stakeholders



now have the opportunity to review the design and provide feedback before officially introducing them into the legislative process.

Registration is possible via an email to l.lohuis@the-mis-institute.org stating the name, position, telephone, and email address of the participants. When they reach the maximum capacity, the number of par-

ticipants per entity within the sectors can be limited. If necessary, they will repeat the congress.

For more information, contact the secretary of the Corporate Governance Committee, Dr. Hellen van der Wal, LL.M., via wabcad-vies@gmail.com

Participation in the conference is free of charge. □

Academic researchers of the IPA and Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam will research the Quality of life of the Aruban youth



ORANJESTAD - Recently, the Minister of Justice and Social Affairs, Rocco Tjon, met with academic researchers of the IPA and the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, who will be executing the research called, Quality of life of the Aruban youth.

The minister believes in evidence-based policy. Therefore, the government will make a multi-annual policy plan based on the information collected through this research.

All the prep work for the research is in place and is now ready for execution. If everything goes according to plan, the goal is to complete the data collection by the summer of 2023 and then analyze it. The research will focus on the youth and Primary schools, MAVO, high-school, and schools for children with special needs.

The research is on:

The life quality of approximately

4600/5000 students of the 5th and 6th grades, the mental health antecedent of the children's family, cultural antecedent, social activities, school environment, bullying; self-esteem; and neighborhood elements linked to the project of Safe Barrios.

The research also focuses on the children's neighborhood:

The experience in their neighborhood; what they miss in it; what kind of developments they wish for it.

In addition, they will research two or three schools out of the eight districts in Aruba, where they will interview the school management and have 8 group sessions with parents in every district.

According to the Minister, this will be very holistic research and can count on the collaboration of the Ministry of Justice and Social Affairs and the Ministry of Education and Sports. □



Don't forget to visit Aruba's famous Red Anchor

At the south east coast of the island, standing alone on a windswept and barren land stands a popular Aruba landmark – a large anchor. It overlooks the sea just beyond, watching over the shipping lanes. It stands there in memory and in honor of all seamen who have lost their life at sea.

Where to Find the Anchor?

The anchor is a “must see” landmark when you visit Aruba. It is among the most photographed historical landmarks for the island. You want to make sure you add this stop on your itinerary when your visiting the south coast of Aruba. The bright red anchor against the backdrop of the deep blue Caribbean sea and the azure blue skies, make a great backdrop for your vacation pictures.

The anchor is located at the entrance to Gate 6 to the former Lago Colony. It is on the outskirts of Seroe Colorado, on the south east point of the island at the “T” junction to Baby Beach.

Depending on where you are staying on the island, follow the signs that indicate the way to Baby Beach. Once you reach the T-junction, it will be right in front of you.

About the Anchor Size

It will be hard to miss the anchor, it's huge! The anchor that weighs 21,772 kilos, is approximately 10 feet 6 inches wide and 15 feet, 6 inches tall.

On the anchor there are some numbers. The 4112 and 4115, which are believed to be the serial numbers that refer to the “fluke” or horizontal and vertical parts of the anchor, respectively. The number 21772K refers to the weight of the anchor in kilos.

This type of anchor was manufactured by Hoesch Dortmund Horde, at a foundry located in Germany.

Where did the Anchor Come From?

There are a number of stories as to the origins of the anchor, which one do you think it was? (Unfortunately



the mystery has never been solved, so your imagination can pick which one you think it might be!)

Story 1:

“According to Mr. Manuel M. Curiel, an ex-Lago Tug Captain, a fully laden VLCC (Very Large Crude Carrier) was seeking a mooring at the 15-mile anchorage, known as Bara, on the southern part of the island. This is the usual shallow mooring location for ships awaiting orders, etc. The weather was rough with strong current. The normal procedure is that they would walk out three shackles (about 90 feet) until the anchor touches the bottom while the chain must rest on the bottom. Subsequently, they will walk out some extra shackles and when the ship starts to swing or lean on one side, the anchor is properly set. Because of the rough weather, unfortunately they did not get the time to walk out the extra tackles and because of the tension exerted on the winch, it broke, and they lost the anchor and its chain.”

Story 2:

“Mr. Curiel also said that at one time a small tanker with a Korean crew, while lifting their anchor also lifted another anchor near the inner harbor. When the ship asked for assistance, he went with his tugboat along with a barge, to help. But eventually they had to cut the chain and let the anchor go to the bottom

because they could not untangle them.”

How Did The Anchor Become a Landmark?

Sometime between 1980 and 1985, three gentlemen (Mr. Wim Martinus – the Harbormaster of Aruba; Mr. August Genser – the ex-Division Superintendent of Lago's Laboratory; and Mr. Willie Davis – Owner of Filtec at Zeewijk in San Nicolas), were having a conversation with Mr. Charlie Brouns Jr. at his famous Charlie's Bar and Restaurant in San Nicolas. Charlie, who was a visionary and had dreams for developing the San Nicolas area, told these gentlemen that he would like to come up with something innovative for the San Nicolas area to draw tourism to the area.

The “anchor”, which at that time was being stored at the Oranjestad harbor, was suggested as an option. Charlie liked the idea! He then contacted the President of Lago for permission to acquire the anchor. He was granted permission and the anchor was then relocated to its present location and dedicated “To All Seamen” on the occasion of the closing of the Lago Oil Refinery on March 31, 1985.

Through the Years

Through the years the Anchor was slowly weathering from the wind and salt. As time passed, sadly the origin and purpose of the anchor slowly faded away

from people's memories.

After Charles Brouns Jr died on September 15, 2004, his friend Mr. Sam Speziale, requested assistance from the management of Valero Aruba Refinery to help maintain the monument. The Valero Aruba Refinery, graciously sandblasted and painted the anchor and poured a concrete pad around it. On April 17, 2005, the anchor monument was rededicated “To All Seamen” in a formal ceremony in memory of Charles Brouns Jr.

Today, the anchor stands both as memorial to all seaman who have lost their lives at sea, but also as a silent reminder that Seroe Colorado is part of San Nicolas and that San Nicolas is still a vibrant and important part of the island of Aruba.

The Best Time to Visit

When your planning your visit to the south end of the island, you will want to include in your itinerary the many things to see and do there. The anchor will be just one of these stops, (keep an eye out for our future editions, we publish our recommendations!).

With that being said, I have to say, if you enjoy catching a sunrise, the anchor is one of the best places on the island to catch the sunrise. But in reality, anytime is a good time to visit, depending on your personal schedule. □

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Government recognized folkloric and cultural groups participating in multicultural encounters

ORANJESTAD – Recently, Prime Minister Evelyn Wever-Croes was present at a ceremony at the Cas di Cultura, during which all folkloric and cultural groups that participated in the two multicultural encounters in the past years were recognized. The encounters emphasize the importance of dialogue and celebration of multicultural diversity.

Aside from this, for this occasion a moment was dedicated to commemorate Dia de la Raza (Race Day).

Among those present for this occasion were representatives from UNESCO, Consular Body, director of the Department of Culture of Aruba drs. Siegfried Dumfries, staff and personnel from this department, folklore and culture groups from each participating country.

Wever-Croes represented the minister of Culture, Xiomara Maduro since she was abroad and could not be present. But in her name, Wever-Croes thanked and honored all participants and recognized the contribution and support that each has given to the cultural dimension of our country. This recognition comes from the Minister of Culture together with the Department of Culture of Aruba. With this gesture, thanks is given to their dedication and praise to their good work made to realize the

first and second edition of Multicultural Encounter Aruba which took place on the 21st of May in 2021 and 2022. The multicultural encounter is related to the celebration of the World Day of Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development declared by UNESCO.

The trajectory behind this initiative goes back to 2005. From its beginnings until now, the project continued growing and developing on a national cultural platform where participation of different groups, organizations and individuals can be facilitated and encouraged. The platform has the goal of inspiring and promoting cultural exchange through various artistic expressions like theatre, poetry, music, folkloric dance and visual art. In 2021, in the middle of the pandemic, for the first time the multicultural encounter was combined with the celebration of the World Day of Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development. Symbolically, this shows that despite all challenges, together we are strong.

Premier Wever-Croes shared the words of Mr. Hubert (Lio) Booi, one of the co-authors of our national anthem: "Make the Aruban aware of his culture and teach him to know the culture of another." Through participation, inclusion and respectful dialogue we can reach understanding. □



CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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1 Half of a chess set

6 Treaties

11 Be patient for

12 Boise's state

13 Doorstop shape

14 Juliet's love

15 Wife of Zeus

17 Poker prize

18 Speedy part of a highway

22 Snowman in "Frozen"

23 Belly-ached

27 Reef material

29 Greek market-place

30 Roma's nation

32 Barber's focus

33 Stretch out

35 Sense of self

38 Wild guess

39 Work of fiction

41 Of the Vatican

45 Because of

46 Select group

47 Sipping aid

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1 Fido's foot

2 Stunned wonder

3 Gum mass

4 Dusk

5 Girder material

6 Voracious fish

7 Fuss

8 Scout's base

9 Vincent Van Gogh's brother

10 Chimney grime

16 Unrefined

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37 Finished

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10-17

AXYDLBAAXR
is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

10-17 CRYPTOQUOTE

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TNXTQDEEA, — ZXHQXDW ZXF

Saturday's Cryptoquote: THE SECRET OF STAYING YOUNG IS TO LIVE HONESTLY. EAT SLOWLY AND LIE ABOUT YOUR AGE. — LUCILLE BALL

Musk has a 'super app' plan for Twitter. It's super vague

By BARBARA ORTUTAY
AP Technology Writer

Elon Musk has a penchant for the letter "X." He calls his son with the singer Grimes, whose actual name is a collection of letters and symbols, "X." He named the company he created to buy Twitter "X Holdings." His rocket company is, naturally, SpaceX.

Now he also apparently intends to morph Twitter into an "everything app" he calls X.

For months, the Tesla and SpaceX CEO has expressed interest in creating his own version of China's WeChat — a "super app" that does video chats, messaging, streaming and payments — for the rest of the world. At least, that is, once he's done buying Twitter after months of legal infighting over the \$44 billion purchase agreement he signed in April.

There are just a few obstacles. First is that a Musk-owned Twitter wouldn't be the only global company in pursuit of this goal, and in fact would probably be playing catch-up with its rivals. Next is the question of whether anyone really wants a Twitter-based everything app—or any other super app—to begin with. Start with the competition and consumer demand. Facebook parent Meta has spent years trying to make its flagship platform a destination for everything online, adding payments, games, shopping and even dating features to its social network. So far, it's had little success; nearly all of its revenue still comes from advertising.

Google, Snap, TikTok, Uber and others have also tried to jump on the super app



Tesla and SpaceX CEO Elon Musk arrives on the red carpet for the Axel Springer media award in Berlin on Dec. 1, 2020.

Associated Press

bandwagon, expanding their offerings in an effort to become indispensable to people as they go about their day. None have set the world on fire so far, not least because people already have a number of apps at their disposal to handle shopping, communicating and payments.

"Old habits are hard to break, and people in the U.S. are used to using different apps for different activities," said Jasmine Enberg, principal analyst at Insider Intelligence. Enberg also notes that super apps would likely suck up more personal data at a time when trust in social platforms has deteriorated significantly.

Musk kicked off the latest round of speculation on Oct. 4, the day he reversed his attempts to get out of the deal and announced that he wanted to acquire Twitter after all. "Buying Twitter is an accelerant to creating X, the everything app," he tweeted without further explanation.

But he's provided at least a little more detail in the past. During Tesla's annual shareholder meeting in August, Musk told the crowd at a

factory near Austin, Texas, that he thinks he's "got a good sense of where to point the engineering team with Twitter to make it radically better."

And he's dropped some strong hints that handling payments for goods and services would be a key part of the app. Musk said he has a "grander vision" for what X.com, an online bank he started early in his career that eventually became part of PayPal, could have been.

But it's not clear that WeChat's success in China means the same idea would translate for a U.S. or global audience. WeChat usage is almost universal in China, where most people never had a computer at home and skipped straight to going online by mobile phone.

Operated by tech giant Tencent Holding Ltd., the platform has made itself a one-stop shop for payments and other services and is starting to compete in entertainment. It is also a platform for health code apps the public is required to use prevent the spread of the coronavirus.

China has 1 billion internet users, and nearly all of them go online by mobile phone, according to the government-sanctioned China Internet Network Information Center. Only 33% use desktop computers at all—and mostly in addition to mobile phones. Tencent says WeChat had 1.3 billion users worldwide as of the end of June. □

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Gates Foundation pledges \$1.2B to eradicate polio globally

BERLIN (AP) — The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation says it will commit \$1.2 billion to the effort to end polio worldwide.

The money will be used to help implement the Global Polio Eradication Initiative's strategy through 2026. The initiative is trying to end the polio virus in Pakistan and Afghanistan, the last two endemic countries, the foundation said in a statement Sunday.

The money also will be used to stop outbreaks of new variants of the virus. The announcement was made Sunday at the World Health Summit in Berlin.

The foundation says in a statement on its website that it has contributed nearly \$5 billion to the polio eradication initiative. The initiative is trying to integrate polio campaigns into broader health services, while it scales up use of the novel oral polio vaccine type 2. The group also is working to make national health systems stronger so countries are better prepared for future health threats, the statement said. "The last steps to eradication are by far the toughest. But our foundation remains dedicated to a polio-free future, and we're optimistic that we will see it soon," said foundation CEO Mark Suzman. Afghanistan,

which has registered two cases this year, previously lacked access to vaccines because of violence and the Taliban banning polio teams in areas under its control. However last year, a few months after they took over Afghanistan, the Taliban agreed to allow United Nations health workers to begin a national campaign.

Pakistan has long struggled with Islamic militants targeting polio workers and the police protecting them, falsely claiming that vaccinations are a Western campaign to sterilize children. This year, it has the added challenge of unprecedented rainfall destroying road networks and health facilities, limiting vaccination drives, and displacing communities.

Despite the billions of dollars that have gone into the effort to eradicate polio since 1988 — the program costs about \$1 billion every year — the World Health Organization and partners have missed repeated deadlines to wipe out the disease and have come under sustained criticism for failing to adapt to challenges. In recent years, for example, there have been more cases of polio linked to the oral vaccine used in eradication efforts than those caused by the wild



A person walks by the headquarters of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation on April 27, 2018, in Seattle.

Associated Press

virus.

Numerous experts have also questioned whether more money is what's needed to eradicate polio, as the initiative is already one of the best funded in global public health and has rarely faced any funding gaps. Although WHO and partners have reduced the incidence of polio by more than 99%, that progress was largely made in the first 10 years. The disease remains stubbornly entrenched in war-torn regions of Afghanistan and Pakistan and there have been dozens of vaccine-triggered outbreaks

in Africa and elsewhere in recent years, including the U.S. and Israel. □



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Giants force 2 late turnovers, beat Ravens on Barkley plunge



New York Giants' Saquon Barkley (26) dives into the end zone for a touchdown during the second half of an NFL football game against the Baltimore Ravens, Sunday, Oct. 16, 2022, in East Rutherford, N.J.

Associated Press

By The Associated Press EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP)

— Julian Love's interception and 27-yard return set up Saquon Barkley's 1-yard touchdown dive with 1:43 to play, and the New York Giants rallied from a 10-point fourth-quarter deficit to beat the Baltimore Ravens 24-20 on Sunday. New York's defense, led by Baltimore's former coordinator Wink Martindale, forced two turnovers by Lamar Jackson late in the fourth quarter. After Barkley's go-ahead score, rookie Keyvon Thibodeaux sacked Jackson and forced a fumble as the Ravens (3-3) had their third late meltdown this season and handed the Giants (5-1) another surprising victory.

Led by new coach Brian Daboll, the Giants have already exceeded their 2021 win total.

Daniel Jones threw touchdown passes to two rookies: 5 yards to Wan'Dale Robinson and 8 yards to Daniel

Bellinger. The second got New York within 20-17 with 6:53 to go.

Kenyan Drake ran for 119 yards, including a 30-yard TD, and Jackson hit Mark Andrews on a 12-yard TD pass early in the fourth quarter for a 20-10 lead.

The Ravens seemed to have a stranglehold on the game when Jackson had a third-down sneak to the Baltimore 46 for an apparent first down. An illegal formation nullified the play and the shotgun snap on third-and-5 went past Jackson. He picked up the ball deep behind the line of scrimmage, and his desperation pass was intercepted by Love and returned to the 13.

STEELERS 20, BUCCANEERS 18

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Mitch Trubisky came on for an injured Kenny Pickett to throw a 6-yard touchdown pass in the fourth quarter and Pittsburgh's defense made it stand up against Tom Brady and Tampa Bay.

The Steelers (2-4) snapped a four-game losing streak by relying on a defense missing almost its entire starting secondary.

Brady struggled to take advantage behind an offensive line that had issues protecting him. The 45-year-old completed 25 of 40 passes for 243 yards and an 11-yard touchdown to Leonard Fournette with 4:38 remaining to cut Pittsburgh's lead to two.

Steelers linebacker Devin Bush broke up the 2-point conversion attempt and Pittsburgh ran out the clock behind Trubisky to avoid its first 1-5 start since 1988.

Trubisky, benched in favor of Pickett at halftime of an Oct. 2 loss to the New York Jets, passed for 144 yards and the touchdown to Chase Claypool, the first scoring grab by a Pittsburgh wide receiver this season. Trubisky connected with Claypool again for a 26-yard gain on the Steelers' final drive and then ran for a 9-yard gain that finished

off Tampa Bay.

Pickett entered the NFL's concussion protocol after being pushed legally to the ground by Tampa Bay linebacker Devin White shortly after throwing a pass.

JETS 27, PACKERS 10

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — Breece Hall ran for 116 yards, including a 34-yard touchdown, and New York sacked Aaron Rodgers four times to win its fourth straight.

The Jets (4-2) are off to their best six-game start since 2015, when they also were 4-2 before finishing 10-6. New York hasn't reached the playoffs since the 2010 season, the NFL's longest active drought.

Green Bay (3-3) lost consecutive regular-season games within the same season for the first time since coach Matt LaFleur's arrival in 2019.

The Jets outrushed Green Bay 179-60 while Zach Wilson was just 10 of 18 for 110 yards. New York broke a 3-all tie and pulled ahead for good by scoring two touchdowns in a span of less than 2 1/2 minutes in the third quarter.

Braxton Berrios gave the Jets the lead by scoring on a 20-yard end-around. After New York stopped Green Bay on its next possession, Michael Clemmons blocked a punt and Will Parks got the ball and raced 20 yards into the end zone.

Rodgers, who injured a thumb last week, hardly resembled himself. He went 26 of 41 for 241 yards and nearly committed turnovers on each of Green Bay's first two possessions.

COLTS 34, JAGUARS 27

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Matt Ryan threw a 32-yard touchdown pass to Alec Pierce with 17 seconds to play Sunday as Indianapolis beat Jacksonville.

Ryan finished with a franchise-record 42 completions on 58 attempts with three touchdowns and 389 yards — passing Dan Marino for seventh on the NFL's career list for yards passing — as he led the Colts (3-2-1) to their third come-from-behind victory this year.

The Jaguars (2-4) lost their

fifth straight at Indianapolis. Trevor Lawrence was 20 of 22 with 163 yards and one score while running for two TDs for the Jaguars.

The Colts snapped a touchdown drought that stretched from the third quarter of Week 4 until just before halftime Sunday when Ryan found Parris Campbell on a 4-yard TD pass to cut the deficit to 14-10.

Lawrence led the Jaguars on a methodical, 18-play drive capped by a 4-yard TD pass to Christian Kirk that made it 27-26. The 2-point conversion pass failed.

Ryan and the Colts got the ball back with 2:38 remaining and took it from there.

PATRIOTS 38, BROWNS 15

CLEVELAND (AP) — Rookie backup Bailey Zappe threw for 309 yards and two touchdowns in his third NFL game, and Bill Belichick tied George Halas for second on the all-time list with his 324th victory as New England buried Cleveland. Zappe, starting his second game in place of the injured Mac Jones, threw second-half TD passes to Tyquan Thornton and Hunter Henry as the Patriots (3-3) pulled away from the anemic Browns. Rhamondre Stevenson rushed for two touchdowns for New England.

Zappe finished 24 of 34 passing a week after he threw for 188 yards and a touchdown in his first start. Belichick, who is 324-159 including the playoffs, has a chance to pass Halas next Monday night at home against Chicago — the franchise with which Halas won all his games.

The Browns (2-4) managed only a pair of field goals by Cade York in the first half. Nick Chubb, who entered leading the NFL in rushing, didn't have a double-digit gain until late in the third quarter. He finished with 12 carries for 56 yards, both season lows.

Jacoby Brissett finished 21 for 45 for 266 yards with two interceptions.

In other NFL games it was **MINNESOTA 24, MIAMI 16; CINCINNATI 30, NEW ORLEANS 26 AND ATLANTA 28, SAN FRANCISCO 14.**

Dodgers have much to contemplate during long winter

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LOS ANGELES (AP) — After all their gaudy statistics during the regular season — 111 wins, Freddie Freeman and Trea Turner powering the offense — the Los Angeles Dodgers appeared on their way to fulfilling manager Dave Roberts' spring prediction of another World Series victory. Not so fast.

The San Diego Padres squelched those plans, upsetting the Dodgers in four games to win their NL Division Series and providing a stunning end to a historic season in Los Angeles.

"This was a really good team, a really, really good team," Freeman said. "October baseball can be brutal and it happened for us." Two years removed from winning their World Series championship in the pandemic bubble, the Dodgers have much to contemplate and plenty of time to do it during the long off-season.

PITCHING

Walker Buehler is expected to miss most and possibly all of the 2023 season after undergoing his second career Tommy John surgery in August.

Kershaw, the three-time Cy Young Award winner who turns 35 in March, has indicated he'd like to return to the only team he's ever played for during his 15-year career. He was on a \$17 million, one-year deal this season.

Anderson, the All-Star left-hander, had a breakout season in his first year with the Dodgers. The well-traveled veteran had a 2.57 ERA in 178 2/3 innings.

Signed for \$8.5 million before the lockout began, Heaney started the season on an encouraging note but then missed two stretches because of shoulder strains. Making his postseason debut, the left-hander gave up a home run to Trent Grisham in a 2-1 loss to the Padres in Game 3.

Dustin May and Blake Treinen returned from health issues in time to make the division series roster and should be ready for spring

training. The Dodgers figure to part ways with closer Craig Kimbrel, who was demoted from his ninth-inning role with two weeks left in the regular season and got left off the postseason roster.

TREA TURNER

Turner becomes a free agent after the World Series ends and would be a sought-after player among what appears to be a strong shortstop class.

He made his second straight All-Star appearance in his first full season with the Dodgers.

After splitting time between Washington and LA last year, Turner hit .298 and finished second in hits behind teammate Freeman with 194. Turner tied for second in at-bats and plate appearances, and tied for

third in singles among MLB leaders. He sprained his right ring finger in the eighth inning of Game 3 against the Padres but started in Game 4.

OUT THE DOOR?

David Price has indicated he plans to retire. The 37-year-old left-hander was left off the division series roster after a wrist injury curtailed him in September. Price, who won the World Series with Boston in 2018, opted out of the 2020 season because of the coronavirus pandemic and was used mostly as a reliever over the last two seasons.

OLD GUARD

The Dodgers hold a \$16 million team option for 2023 on third baseman Justin Turner, who hit .278 while splitting starts as the designated hitter. He was just



Members of the Los Angeles Dodgers look on from the dugout during the ninth inning in Game 4 of a baseball NL Division Series against the San Diego Padres, Saturday, Oct. 15, 2022, in San Diego.

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2 for 13 in the NLDS. The 37-year-old is a fan favorite and a well-respected voice in the clubhouse. But the future already is here. Miguel Vargas made the NLDS roster at age 22, im-

pressing Roberts with his ability to hit to all fields and overall cool-headedness. The Dodgers could choose to pay Turner's \$2 million buyout and move on with Vargas at third. □

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